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## Fallout Festival planned

By WILLARD WOODS

Students will encounter a new format during this year's Fall Week, Debbie Shea, vice president of public relations for the Program Council, said.

In addition to the traditional food booths, student organizations will sponsor contests for student participation, Shea said.

This should be more popular with the students because it gives them more to do, Shea said. "This will be the first time that the students can do a lot more than just sit around and eat," she said.

Student organizations complied with sponsoring a contest because of a stipulation requiring "that if an organization was to participate in 'fall week' ... it would have to put on a contest" in addition to selling food or drink items, Shea said. By doing this the number of activities in which students can participate increased.

Scheduled for Sept. 26-30, the theme of this year's Fall Week is "Fall Out Festival," a satirical look at the nuclear age.

Events for the week are as follows: Monday (Defcon 1-Red Alert), KROK remote from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; hot air balloon; "Last Stand; air band contest beginning at noon; 1000 balloons released at noon; t-shirts will be sold; "Stealth Launch" of paper planes at 12:45 p.m., sponsored by ACM-OPMA;

Scavenger hunt begins at 1 p.m.; the Art Club will sell buttons; Tri Delta, baked potatoes from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Kappa Alpha, barbeque; Delta Sig, lemonade; DOM ham-burgers; Drama Club, caramel apples; and the Biology club will sell meat pies.

Tuesday (Defcon 2- Ground Zero Day) there will be an LSUS disc jockey; S.H.A.R.K.S. from noon-2 p.m.; survival run at noon; "MX Missile Run" (turtle

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The White-Tailed deer will be discussed by Charles Hotchkiss in his Audubon Wildlife Film, "From Reefs to Rockies." See page 4 for story.

## Budget cuts take toll

By CAROLINE GALLASPY

Budget cuts, which were imposed last winter, have taken their toll upon the five colleges at LSUS.

The 4.4 percent budget took effect in January. Subtracted from last year's budget of \$10 million was \$321,429. This left a 1982-83 budget of \$9 million.

Deans of the colleges emphasized three major impacts of the cuts — a 15 percent reduction in travel, a freeze on the purchase of new equipment and a zero salary increase for faculty and staff.

Dean Don C. Wilcox of the College of Business Administration said that the reduction in travel has caused many faculty members to miss important conferences and workshops needed to further develop their teaching abilities.

"Support activities for faculty members have been diminished. Faculty participation and development have been inhibited," Wilcox said.

The budget cuts affected not only the faculty and staff, but the students as well.

According to Dean Bobby E. Tabarlet of the College of Education, "Later on in the spring semester you may not be getting as many handouts as you need in your chemistry or history class."

As a result of the freeze on

the purchasing of new equipment, he said that some students may leave the LSU system without ever having seen a particular piece of equipment important to their field of study.

The most alarming result of the budget cuts has been the effect that the zero salary increase has had on the morale of the faculty. All of the deans expressed concern about this matter.

Tabarlet shed some insight into the situation by commenting that morale, in general, is good at LSUS. He stated that there are a lot of faculty members who feel good about being at LSUS and enjoy their work here. "This generally good morale can see them through one year of a salary freeze, but," he said, "go two years and you have people leave."

Even though, as Dean Vincent Marsala of the College of General Studies, said, "We are watching our pennies closely," there has been some relief from the cuts in the form of the \$50 tuition increase.

Among the benefits of the tuition increase was the filling of one new position, out of five needed, in the College of Business Administration.

Saying, "The fee increase saved us," Tabarlet stated that his department has been able to hire one new faculty member.

## Counselor named

By WILLARD WOODS

A new counselor was chosen last week in an effort to increase the counseling services available to students at LSUS.

Paula K. Lynch, a former LSUS student, was chosen from among 18 other applicants who applied for the position to work with Dr. Jeff Ickes, director of counseling.

"LSUS has always been very special to me," Lynch said. She is scheduled to begin her counseling work on campus Oct. 3. Her first semester will be spent assessing the needs of the students along with some individual and group counseling, she said.

Majoring in psychology,

Lynch received her bachelor's degree at LSUS, and her master's degree in clinical psychology from Stephan F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX.

Her collegiate experiences include intellectual assessment; personality assessment; abnormal, education, social and developmental psychology; individual psychotherapy; behavior modification; personality, child and adolescent psychology; child psychopathology; and marriage and family therapy.

She has worked as a school psychologist for the Caddo Parish Schools Special Education Center in Shreveport; a clinic coordinator at the SFASU Psychology Clinic and as teaching assistant in the SFASU

department of psychology.

Her counseling experience includes working as a psychology intern both at the LSUS Counseling Center and the SFASU Psychology Clinic.

She has also aided in the development and coordination of "Project HELP," a student volunteer program serving various community agencies in the Shreveport-Bossier City area.

In a statement of her professional philosophy, Lynch believes that the major role of the counselor is "to help students develop to their maximum potential—personally and academically," she said, adding, "I emphasize the importance of students accepting responsibility

for themselves...."

Even though the counseling department may be able to increase services on an individual basis, Lynch believes that "group situations provide an excellent opportunity for this type of counseling, and enables the counselor to reach a larger number of students.

"In addition, students are provided with an additional opportunity to interact with other students," Lynch said.

The new counselor will cut in half the time a student has to wait for individual counseling, Ickes said. "I'll still do quite a bit of individual counseling and still conduct the groups that I do. This will just give us another person to do some counseling for special needs," Ickes said.

## Financial aid still available

By CHERYL DUBOIS

Although many students are unaware of it, there are a number of financial aid opportunities available at LSUS.

According to a pamphlet entitled The Student Guide, which may be obtained from Edgar L. Chase in the financial aid office, students are eligible, in general, if they are enrolled at least half-time as a regular student.

There are approximately five financial aid programs available at LSUS. A student's eligibility for these programs is

based on his financial need, which is determined according to his financial resources.

Any student interested in any kind of financial aid or scholarship program should see Chase in the student financial aid office as soon as the student thinks he is eligible.

A deadline of March 15, 1984, has been set for the Federal Student aid application. Also, June 30, 1984, or the last day of enrollment in 1983-84, whichever comes first, is the deadline for submitting the Student Aid Report to the financial aid office.



# —Editorials—

## Apathy ok?

Where are you when we need you, Ted Schirmer?

Last week in this space you read the argument against apathy. Here's the argument for it.

Ted Schirmer is a former president of the SGA at LSU in Baton Rouge. Students of that school might have no opinion at all concerning the football team or the dorm conditions or the food in the cafeteria. But they all had an opinion about Ted Schirmer.

Some loved him. Some hated him. But they all felt that he had an impact on their life just because he was the SGA president. Schirmer probably could not win an election off the LSU campus, but to the people on campus he was somebody.

We at LSUS snicker at this. Who is our SGA president, you might ask. Why doesn't everyone here love or hate him?

The recent SGA Senate elections stand as a shining example of how we feel about the people who are holding elective offices at this school. Even with the polling place in the middle of one of the most traveled halls in the whole school, far more than half of the students shuffled by without ever casting a ballot.

The contention here is that, while Schirmer was worthy of much ire on the LSU campus in Baton Rouge, he did a lot of good. He was in there pitching.

True, there really is not much to gripe about here. But there is not much to praise, either. Thanks to an active program council and an upgraded intramural program, there is more to do on campus now.

But as far as having someone to stand up for what the students need from this administration - things like parking area, the removal of ridiculous attendance requirements and a decent place to eat lunch - the politicians of LSUS are quite worth our apathy.

## Are students lazy?

It is once again time for intramural sports. Intramurals at LSUS provide a unique opportunity for the student body to participate in sports activities with a chance for healthy competition. Unfortunately, many students pass up the opportunity, therefore restricting the opportunities of those who would participate.

One good argument against participating is that because we have no collegiate athletics, the level of competition is that of beginners. Well, it is true that we do not possess the ability of a Tony Dorsett, but that does not mean there is no competition. It only means that we can compete with a lesser fear of injury and with less pressure.

With a new person in charge of intramurals, we have new programs. One of the more interesting ones is the co-rec water polo planned for October. Even spouses are allowed to participate in hopes of encouraging a larger turnout.

There is no excuse for non-participation in sports at LSUS. Not even inexperience. Most teams are happy enough to have people show up that they will teach them the game, whatever it is.

The only excuse that really may be an excuse is that we are just too lazy. And that's a bad reflection on the student body of LSUS.



## Rampant Writers

### Time off for Mardi Gras - why not?

By WELLBORN JACK 3

What do Loyola University, Northeast Louisiana University, Dillard University, Xavier University, Tulane University, Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, University of Southwestern Louisiana, McNeese State University, Grambling State University, Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana State University at New Orleans have in common?

An academic, Mardi Gras holiday. That's what!

LSUS doesn't.

WHY?

Who gives a rat's ass. It doesn't matter why to me. The fact is, LSUS has never had a Mardi Gras recess scheduled for the spring. LSUS seems to say "Bah-Humbag" to Mardi Gras.

That's the wrong attitude. And that philosophy must change if LSUS is to mature into a fine academic institution where the rights of all are guarded.

LSUS has the potential to mature in that manner.

We, the students, faculty and administrators, are presently denied the right of a Mardi Gras holiday. A right that others in the academic community of Louisiana are exercising.

That is, the right to be released from classes to attend the culturally enriching festivities of Louisiana's number one carnival — MARDI GRAS — the best and biggest carnival in the civilized world.

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If you aren't a Louisianian you still have the right to be released from class on Mardi Gras. Mardi Gras is an official state holiday.

The events of Mardi Gras are celebrated during January and February with the climax of the festival season occurring on the day prior to Lent, Fat Tuesday. In 1984 Fat Tuesday falls on

March 6.

I propose that LSUS grant our rights and recess classes on Friday, March 2 at 1:00 p.m. and resume classes on Thursday, March 8 at 8:00 a.m.

Contact your Student Government Association representative. But I can also voice your opinion.

I was appointed to serve on the Student Affairs Committee.

There's still time to change the academic calendar for the spring 1984 semester.

Stand up for your denied right.

## Almagest

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# College Republicans assist campaigns

By HOWARD FLOWERS

College Republicans, a new club forming at LSUS, held an organization meeting Monday in room 465 of Bronson Hall. Club members chose officers, considered a constitution and proposed policy regarding state and national involvement. They discussed their role as an LSUS student organization and how dues would be spent.

Officers are Susan Alexander, chair; Susan Gleason, vice chair; and Lisa Slaughter, secretary.

The club is sponsored by Dr. Ann McLaurin, professor of history and chair of the Social Sciences department.

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Gloria Raines defined for club members their responsibility to conform to University rules and regulations.

She expressed the importance of the club's involvement in school activities in non-election years. She said the club "would not be considered a part of the national or state Republican party — (it is) a student organization."

Kim Brun, the fourth district director for the Louisiana Young Republican Federation and a student at LSUS, also attended the meeting. She asked Raines whether it would be possible for the club to attend the National Convention.

"Yes," Raines said, "but not as a representative of the University." Raines stressed the significance of the club as being a part of the University. "If it appeared that (the club) were affiliated with the Republican Party I would have a hard time justifying it."

In a telephone interview prior to the meeting Brun said that the main function of the club is to help Republican candidates get elected to office.

"The club will be involved in door-to-door canvassing, setting up booths at social functions and putting up and painting campaign signs," Brun said.

She added that the club has two purposes — to get its candidates elected and to teach members what it is like to be involved in a campaign firsthand.

Nine such organizations exist on Louisiana campuses, Brun said. College Republicans are active at Louisiana Tech, Northwestern, Southwestern, Southeastern, Tulane and LSU-Baton Rouge besides the one now forming at LSUS.

Alexander gave Brun credit for initiating some student interest in the club. "She got a lot of signatures at registration to see how well it would go over,"

Alexander said.

The Field Coordinator for Northern Louisiana's Treen Campaign, David Broussard, also attended the meeting. He invited members to a promotional dinner to be held at the Hayride Kitchen in Bossier Sept. 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10.

He said that there is a possibility that Governor Treen would be on campus at noon Oct. 13. "He'll be in Caddo Parish that day," Broussard said, but added that the details of the appearance had not yet been worked out.

In a meeting held on Sept. 12, members considered setting up booths at the Red River Revel for its duration from Oct. 1 through 8. But, at Monday's meeting, Brun ruled out the possibility of

club involvement there.

"If we hand out political material we could be in trouble," she said.

The club is bringing Representative Bruce Lynn to speak on campus Oct. 10 at noon in the De Soto Room of the UC.

Brun said that the response to the College Republicans in northern Louisiana has been tremendous. "So far we have 325 members at LA Tech at 285 at LSU in Baton Rouge," she said.

Brun pointed to the conservatism of Shreveport as a major factor contributing to the founding of the club at LSUS. "The base of support for the Treen campaign is a broad mixture," she said. "We felt that Shreveport was a strong Republican area."

## Audubon Films scheduled

By LARRY TERRY

The first of five Audubon Wildlife Film programs will be held Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the LSUS University Center Theater. The series, co-sponsored by the LSUS Artists and Lecturers Committee, is a program of the National Audubon Society.

Charles Hotchkiss, a naturalist, will show his film, "From Reefs to Rockies," providing a close-up view of many wildlife habitats ranging from ocean coral reefs to the Rocky Mountains. He does this, in part, to stress the importance of conservation, especially in areas where animals depend upon a particular environment.

Hotchkiss has made other films and spent months

preparing for this film, which takes viewers from Florida to Texas and then north to the Grand Tetons of Wyoming. Along the way, he filmed indigenous animals such as the wood stork, heron, elk and white-tailed deer.

The remaining films in the series are "Kookaburra Country" (Eastern Australia) by Fran Hall, Nov. 17; "Yosemite and the High Sierra" by Bob Roney, Dec. 6; "Okavango" (North Africa) by Michael Culhane, Jan 10; and "Summer in Kiwi Land" (New Zealand) by Grant Foster, March 26.

Without an LSUS I.D. admission for adults is \$3; students, \$1.50; children under 12, \$1; youth group rate, 75 cents.



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## Letters

### Baylor questions quote

Dear Editor:

Thank you for the recent fine article ("Black Students Learn and Grow at LSUS"). Regarding the statement, "There have been many whites enrolled in their ranks," please correct to read, "There has been white membership in the organization (Moa Afrika)."

Your cooperation will be

appreciated.

Rosalind F. Baylor  
Minority Relations Coordinator

(Editor's note: After consulting his notes from the interview, Howard Flowers stands by the quotation as originally written.)

## SGA fights student apathy

Dear Editor:

Last week's edition of the Almagest was just what I had in mind when I suggested "focus on the positive." Congratulations to you and your staff on a job well done!

We in the SGA welcome all ideas, suggestions and help to combat our number one enemy — STUDENT APATHY! We're fighting, but the battle is uphill. Working through Dr. Raines, regular council meetings with all

organizations have been established. Of course, organizations face the same enemy, but as allies, perhaps we can advance together.

I encourage all students to become involved in at least one campus activity.

Sincerely,  
Fran Harchas  
President  
Student Government Association

## SGA to study constitution

The SGA was presented with a copy of the new proposed constitution Sept. 19 during the second meeting of the fall semester. The senate will read the new constitution and discuss it at next week's meeting.

Also this week, SGA president Fran Harchas an-

nounced her plans to attend the LSU system of presidents in Baton Rouge this Saturday.

Additionally, the SGA furthered a discussion from last week of a free frisbee putting contest to be held during the Fall Out Festival. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

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## News Briefs

### Jobs

Peat, Marwick & Mitchell, CPA's will be on campus Sept. 28 to interview graduating seniors in the accounting field. The position they will be interviewing for is entry-level assistant accountant, in either the tax or audit areas. Interested students should sign up in the Placement Office, BH 138.

Local employer is looking for three or four students to work as canvassers. Need to work 8-15 hours weekly, unsupervised after initial training. Paid on split commission basis. Please sign up in the Placement Office, BH 138, if you are interested.

## Journalism Scholarships

The 1983 American Political Journalism Conference will be held Oct. 28-30 in Washington, D.C. Scholarships will be provided by the sponsoring organization, The Charles Edison Memorial Youth Fund, for the 75 undergraduate and graduate students chosen to participate. For more information contact Tina Benyunes (202) 293-5092 or write the youth fund at 1000 16th Street, N.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20036.

## Sociology Club

The Sociology Club will hold a meeting Sept. 22 at 11 a.m. in the social-science lounge, BH, 4th floor. All interested students are invited to attend.

## BSU

The Baptist Student Union will sponsor a hamburger party Sept. 23, 7 p.m. at 5306 Bayou Drive in Bossier City. Other BSU activities this week are Noonspiration, Tuesday at 12:30; Lunchencounter, Wednesday, at noon; Noonspiration, Thursday, at 12:30; Bible study, Friday at noon.

# Law school not like 'Paper Chase'

By WILLARD WOODS

"Preparation for Success in Law School" was the subject of the first Liberal Arts colloquium of the fall semester.

Ms. Nancy Griswold, a 1981 magna cum laude graduate of LSUS with a bachelor of arts degree in English and a 1983 graduate of Baylor Law School, spoke yesterday about her experiences in law school as well as general information about what law school is like.

"It's not the Paper Chase," Griswold said. "And it's not like what you're doing now." It's more like any other graduate discipline that students pursue, she said.

The graduate student will be competing with other students whose records are as good as or better than his own, she said. It will be important for the future law school student to "keep an open mind" about the courses that he will take in college so that he will be well prepared for the challenges which law school brings, she said.

Law school basically tests the student's ability to read,

write, analyze and research given material.

Students shouldn't be too concerned with grades in law school because, "When you get out, that's really not top priority with (law firms).... Once you get your first job, nobody is going to look

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race) sponsored by the NCAS at 12:45 p.m.; SCEC, "Cruise Missile Launch" (dart throw) at 12:45 p.m.; Zeta Tau Alpha, "Last Kiss" contest at 12:30;

ROTC, rappelling from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Delta Sig, chili and lemonade; SCEC, gumbo; Pi Sigma Epsilon, barbeque; ACM-DPMA, cokes; Tri Delta, baked potatoes; Art Club, buttons; and the Biology Club will sell meat pies.

Wednesday (Defcon 3- New Frontiers Day) Pi Sigma Epsilon will sponsor the "Best Saucer Toss" frisbee distance contest at 12:45 p.m.; Louisiana Hot Sauce in mall from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; single classical musicians at Pioneer Heritage Center;

Zeta "Best Bandage" contest at noon; Delta Sig "Best Joke"

back at that transcript," Griswold said, adding, "What's going to matter is what you do in your law firm, in the court room, and in your association with other people," she said.

While at Baylor, Griswold was the recipient of the Governor

contest at 12:30, also they will sell nachoes and lemonade; KA, barbeque; ACM-DPMA, cokes; Art Club, buttons; and the Biology Club will sell meat pies.

Thursday (Defcon 4- War Games) includes Fall Brawl from 1 p.m.-1:45; five-mile bike race 12:30 p.m.-12:50; music in mall; "Bomb Russia" Foreign Language Club dart game at noon; "Bombs Away" sponsored by Drama Club at noon; Delta Sig will sell nachoes and lemonade; NCAS, frito pies; Pi Sig, barbeque; DOM, hamburgers; and the Art Club will sell buttons.

And Friday (Defcon 5- 1999) Tri Delta will sponsor the "Best Legs" contest at noon; FLC, "B-1 Bomber Target Practice"

and Vera Fay Daniels scholarship. She participated in two Moot Court sessions and published an article on labor law in the Baylor Law Review.

Completing her law degree in 27 months, Griswold will join a Dallas law firm later this year.

contest at 12:15; PAN from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; airplane with banner from noon-2 p.m.; SHARKS from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Kung-fu demonstration from 1-1:30 p.m.;

Delta Sig will sell nachoes, jambalaya and lemonade; DOM, hamburgers; NCAS, frito pies from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; KA, barbeque; Drama Club, caramel apples; FLC, candy; Art Club, buttons; and the Biology Club will sell meat pies.

There will also be a "1999" dance Sept. 26 from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. with live music from Danny Johnson and the Bandits.

Of the 32 student organizations on campus, so far about "half of them will actively participate in this year's festival," Shea said.



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# Conferences and Institutes plans courses

By WILLARD WOODS

Have you ever thought about wine appreciation, women's time management or interior decorating? No, these aren't the ordinary courses offered at LSUS. These are just some of the continuing education classes offered this fall by conferences and institutes, according to a memo from Dr. John B. Powell, director of conferences and institutes.

C&I, a division of the college of general studies, offers these non-credit courses each semester for the public as well as the LSUS student.

Although some of the classes are lightweight in topic (e.g., country and western dance, basics of quilting and basic guitar), most of them (e.g., conversational French, speed reading and tennis) supplement the courses which students take for credit.

Even though some of the courses have already begun, it is not too late to register for these courses remaining this fall: wine appreciation, Sept. 20-Nov. 8, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$75; "Sessions will include comparative tastings," according to the memo; country and western dance, Oct. 10-Nov. 28, Mondays, 7-8:30 p.m., \$40;

How to write and sell creative prose, Oct. 11-Nov. 29, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$35; interior decorating, Oct. 4-Nov. 22, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$45; "Principles of design, color, furniture lay-out, accessories and period furniture will be discussed," the memo stated;

Basics of quilting, Sept. 27-Nov. 1, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$45; stress management and wellness, Nov. 4, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., \$50.

Other courses offered this fall by C&I include a certificate program in management. "To earn the certificate, the participant must complete five modules of study; however, there are no time limitations nor is there a requisite for continuous enrollment," the memo stated. The five modules, of course, offered this fall are financial accounting; introduction to

decision making and decision models; a stress management and wellness; introduction to organization structure and design; and leadership, motivation and development.

Also offered this fall will be a seminar on "Computing for the Nonspecialist: Making it Count." Data processing terms, concepts and problems will be introduced with heavy emphasis placed on

computer applications, the memo stated. Classes are scheduled for Oct. 4-Nov. 10, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.

C&I will also be offering a four-course institute for legal assistants.

For additional information contact Dr. John B. Powell, director of conferences and institutes, in BH 123B, or call 797-5262.

## Benson sets high goals for self

By SOPHIA KIRKIKIS

She's a perpetual student in perpetual motion. But, this student is different from all the rest. She has devoted herself to learning by grasping a special technique of education teaching.

"I like teaching college," says Dr. Doris Benson, assistant professor of psychology, "because it is like being a lifetime student." Moving from Kansas where Benson taught her first year of college, she finds LSUS smaller than other universities but interesting, as are the students. "I've always been interested in people and why they behave," she says.

As a certified school psychologist, Benson examined children's behavior for several years in New Orleans and New York by testing kids, consulting with teachers, and planning programs for counseling. In helping children, Benson sees the world as they see it, and by showing a genuine concern for the children, Benson is able to understand them. "Most of us," Benson says, "want to be understood, so given the opportunity, we will reveal ourselves."

Although Benson cannot always provide insight to

children with problems, she believes that supporting while they grow and change is most important. Helping a child depends on how complex the problem is, the environment, the biology, and the intra-psychic of the child. "I feel as if I wish I could do more," Benson says. "Sometimes it's out of my control."

But, sometimes it's not out of her control. Helping only one child in a group of many "makes it all worthwhile," she says.

Within the year, Benson hopes to be granted a license that will permit private practice of psychology. Her personal field of interest concerns the various cognitive styles of learning.

Learning in the classroom, according to Benson, is interesting. "I look around the room and don't see too many students sleeping," she says in jest. The atmosphere in class is flexible and relaxed, unlike her first year of teaching, which makes way for students participation, but the feedback is lacking. So, Benson spends at least two hours preparing for a one hour class.

Benson sets goals for which to strive. Short-range goals in-



Dr. Doris Benson

Photo by Jim Davison

clude becoming a full professor, owning her private practice, and writing a scholarly book. After these achievements are complete, Benson plans on setting more goals. "I like growth," she says. Accomplishing ambitions is merely one form, just as traveling opens a door for knowledge. Benson visited Europe and Africa and is looking forward to visiting the Orient and South America.

"I have the ability to change," says Benson. "I like that because that's growth." So, she changes with the seasons. But one thing remains the same - her dedication to a lifetime of learning.

## News Briefs

### Calendar

Today

UCPC Movie "Das Boot," free 1 p.m. matinee; \$1 admission

UCPC Fall Out Festival Schedule:

Sept. 26

KROK remote, 10-2 p.m.  
Air Band contest

Sept. 27

Model plane exhibition, 12-2 p.m.

1 mile survival run, noon

Sept. 28

Pioneer Heritage Center

Sept. 29

War games (fall brawl)  
Music in the mall

Sept. 30

Kung-fu demonstration  
1999 dance, 9-1 a.m., \$1 admission

## DOM

The Veterans Club will meet on Sept. 28 at 12:30 in the Captains Room at the University Center. Elections will be held for staff officers and all vets are welcome to participate.

## NCAS

The National Collegiate Association for Secretaries held its meeting September 13, 2 p.m. BE 209.

New officers for the 1983-84 year were installed. They are: President - Debbie Richardson; Vice President - Linda Smith; Historian - Debora Richardson; Secretary - Leigh Ann Bigby; Treasurer - Kathy Lyons; and Publicity Chairman - Min-Cha Paek.

The LSUS Chapter of NCAS plans to hold its next meeting Oct. 4, 2 p.m. BE 209.

## PRSSA

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# -Features-

## Work force suffers

# Court quotas substitute race for ability

By CHARLES TURNER

There can be little question that court-imposed racial quotas for employers substitute emphasis on race for emphasis on ability. An employer who must, by law, employ minorities as 15 percent of his work force must do so whether or not the minority applicants are as capable as whites applying for the same jobs.

That's bad enough. But when our beloved courts — who could

make turning on a water faucet a 17-page procedure — go so far as saying minority rights take precedence over seniority, feelings of disgust grow to outrage.

Boston judges increased the city's percentage of minority police and firefighters from 2 to 13 percent in the 1970s. When the city was forced to reduce spending in 1981 city officials said last hired, first fired, i.e.,

seniority would be honored.

Can there be any question

that seniority should be honored in police and fire protection? Who in his right mind would prefer inexperience over experience when his family's safety is at stake? The courts blocked Boston's effort to reduce city spending and an appeals panel said, "There is nothing magical about seniority." There is nothing magical about court-

ordered racial quotas either.

As U.S. News correctly points out, most of the race-versus-seniority disputes stem from court-ordered plans for insuring that minorities are proportionately represented in the work force. Teachers in Kalamazoo, Mich., are appealing a judge's order that schools

recalling laid-off teachers give priority to new black teachers over whites with seniority.

The Reagan Administration is opposing a court order that gives blacks half of all New Orleans Police Department promotions because blacks comprise 55 percent of the New Orleans' population.

Such a policy is detrimental to the well-being of all who rely upon the ability and experience of police, firefighters and educators. It is detrimental to all Americans. This policy must be changed.

## Swearingen brings pro flare to LSUS

By CHERYL DUBOIS

As a fully retired chairman and chief executive officer in the insurance business, Lawson Swearingen Sr. is now teaching here at LSUS.

After living in Boston for ten years, Swearingen and his wife, Jean, "selected Shreveport as a place of retirement for the winter months so she (his wife) can be with her parents," Swearingen said. During the summer months, Swearingen said he and his wife will go back to New England.

After he and his wife arrived in Shreveport, Swearingen was asked to work at LSUS. "Dr. Ruben Harvey in the insurance chair, along with Dean Wilcox and Dr. Bogue, talked to me about a financial service project, which they'd been discussing," Swearingen said. "We agreed to work together toward developing the financial service center," he said.

Besides helping with the financial service center, Swearingen was asked to "teach

a class of upperclass students with the subject matter being corporate life, decision making, management, merges, methods and so forth," he said. Additionally, Swearingen will fill in several times in some insurance classes.

Swearingen, in his private life, is a busy man. He is presently serving on the board of the College of Insurance in New York, the National Crime Prevention Council in Washington, D.C. and the American Institute for Property and Liability Insurers in Malvern, Pennsylvania.

Also, Swearingen is a member of the U.S. Senate Ad-

visory Board and the Republican President's Task Force.

In New England, Swearingen served as chairman for a New England-wide Billy Graham crusade in seven major cities at seven major campuses.

"I'm an ex-hunter and fisherman," Swearingen said. "But as you can see, I don't have time for that now."

Since Swearingen has a major background in the insurance field, he was very pleased that his daughter Carolyn went into insurance as an independent agent. "I'm for women becoming a vital part of the business world," Swearingen said with a smile.



Swearingen brings business sense and experience to LSUS

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# —Reviews—

## Freud goes to the movies

By HOWARD FLOWERS

"Doctor, I've been having difficulty concentrating on my objectives lately. The goals I've set for my job, my wife, my family and my friends seem so inaccessible and obscure.

"The pressure got to me last night, so I decided to take in a movie. Sitting there in the dark watching 'Nightmares' was a startling revelation for me. It was as if my whole life was unfolding on the screen.

"The film was divided into four parts. Remember that time I told you about the night I dreamed I was a mass murderer taking my aggressions out on the stuffed animals at Kay-Bee Toy and Hobby? That's what the first part reminded me of.

"I guess I shouldn't go see movies by myself. Especially when they're as true to life as this one. The second part of the movie was called 'The Bishop of Battle.' It was about a boy who gets trapped inside a computer game. It was just so real.

"I think it was making a social statement about the degradation of American youth. Kids today have no outlet for their frustrations, so they become addicted to arcade games. They just don't have to deal with poverty, starvation or whether Paul McCartney is dead — you know, the issues of my generation.

"By the way, have you ever actually listened to Abbey Road? There's no way that's McCartney singing on that album. John Lennon isn't the only dead Beatle.

"Did you ever see 'The Duel' with Dennis Weaver? That's what the third part reminded me of. A priest gets chased around the desert highways by a demon pickup. I think it was a GMC. I'm sure Christopher Crowe, the producer of the movie, was thinking about the problems in Detroit with that segment.

"The last part was about a giant rat. It was really Oedipal, you know? There was a true love bond between the mother rat and her baby. It's too bad the baby was killed when the homeowner started setting traps in the attic. Snap! Oblivion."

"We've run out of time for this week. See the nurse for your prescription and come back next week. We'll talk about why you like to bite the heads off a live perch."

"Yes, Doctor."

## Hawkeye's — hot new club

By GARY WHITAKER

The Square downtown can get pretty loud at times, so it's a good thing there's a new quiet place to go. Hawkeye's will not only serve you your favorite drinks but offers you them with character.

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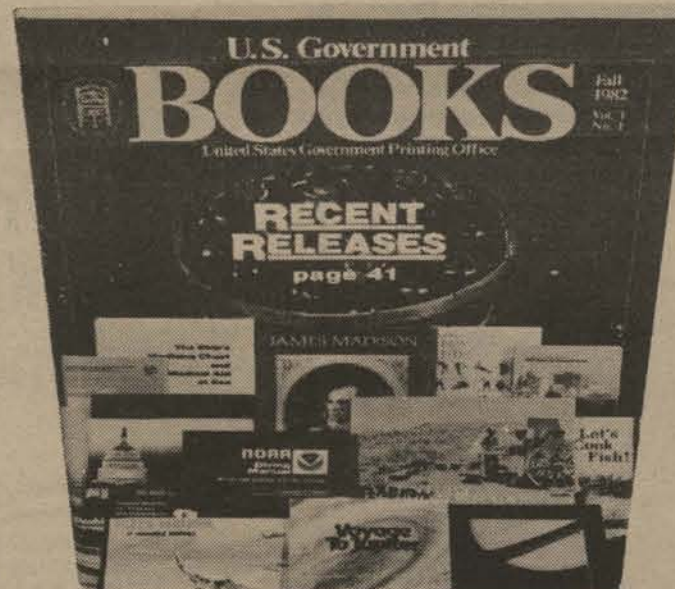
Vintage music is played early in the evening. The music style goes well with the setting,

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# Sports

## Wave keeps rolling; whoever is in charge

By BRIAN McNICOLL

It seems you just can't figure the situation with Tulane's football team.

The Greenies struggle to beat Ole Miss, a dreadful squad that just came under the direction of former Louisiana Tech head coach Billy Brewer. Then, they lose their big name quarterback and respond by lining up and whipping one of the top teams in the country, Florida State.

First, a word about that top quarterback. Bubby Brister came out of Neville with a reputation as a good athlete with a good, fast set of feet.

Often coaches feel that good, swift feet are more important than a good arm on a quarterback. Being able to move to the right spot quickly is often more important to a pass completion than a bullet arm. But Brister also had the arm.

At first, he spurned offers from LSU and several other area schools to play for Paul "Bear" Bryant at Alabama. But before he ever showed up for freshman drills in Tuscaloosa, he changed his mind and signed a minor league baseball contract with the Detroit Tigers.

Baseball is a cruel life for a young man. For six months out of the year, you ride around some part of the country in nasty buses

to dusty, dark stadiums, trying to make it to the bigs. The odds are overwhelmingly against ever making it to the big time, but for \$10-15,000 per year, these guys dream.

Soon, Brister soured of dreaming. Soon after, he was off to Tulane, taking advantage of the NCAA's new rule allowing an athlete to be professional in one sport and retain his amateur status in another.

He battled with guys like Wade Elmore and Paul Catanese for playing time last year. None of the three was outstanding, but Brister was the only non-senior in the group, so this year it appeared he had a job.

So in Tulane's first two games, a loss to Mississippi State and the win over Ole Miss, Brister faltered, and new coach Wally English responded by replacing him with Joe English, the coach's son. Young English rallied the team both times, making the difference in the Ole Miss game.

Brister, claiming Coach English had not kept his word, stormed off. He went AWOL. Nobody knew where he was. Stories began to appear that Louisiana Tech and Northeast Louisiana were making entreaties toward him. Both could use a big name quarterback with a lot of North Louisiana name

recognition.

Then the NCAA stepped in and cautioned Northeast and Tech that tampering with a player who is officially on another team is a violation of its regulations and could bring sanctions against the schools. They backed off, leaving Brister without a job and everyone else without his services.

Then there is the matter of Joe English. He originally signed with Arizona State, became convinced he would never play there,

and went to Iowa State. There, he sat out a year as required by NCAA rules. Soon, he realized he would never play there either. Then he found out his father would be coaching Tulane.

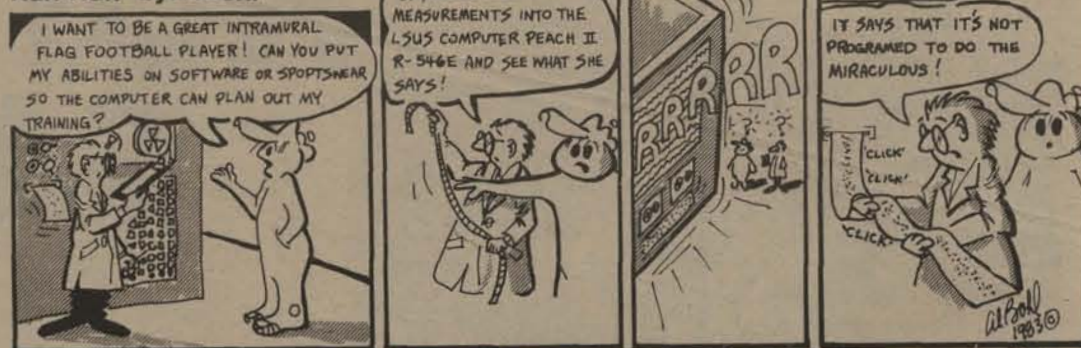
So English began to pick apart the language of the NCAA rule book. He found that the rule required a player to sit out one season after his first transfer. English immediately contended that this did not apply to him because this was his second transfer. The NCAA predictably

balked, saying English knows the intent of the rule and knows he is breaking it.

English filed suit to challenge the NCAA's opposition to his eligibility and got a court injunction to play until the matter is resolved. Should he lose, Tulane could lose a quarterback and could receive some punishment from the NCAA. To try and help prevent this, he named Tulane as a defendant in the suit.

Time will tell.

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Nine teams participated in the Intramural Weekend Warmup last Saturday afternoon with ROTC and Independent I among the teams scoring exhibition wins. The punt, pass and kick competition was cancelled.